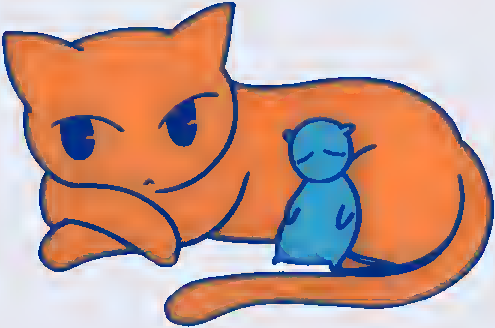

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Flap
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T. Tachibana
...
I'M CONSIDERED A LITTLE STRANGE
Chill
TACHIBANA
...
TACHIBANA
...
HMM
...
COMPARED TO OTHER GUYS
SLAM
FINISHED!
THAT'S BECAUSE
Ta da! ♡
I SPENT SO MUCH TIME ON ITS COLOR AND PATTERNS!
OF THIS.
Flip
MY BEST JOB EVER..
EVERYTHING'S PERFECT.

PHEW
KUN
COMING!
TAP TAP
Suguru-kun?
AH, MAKOTO-SAN.
I JUST FINISHED IT, THE BED COVER.
Really? I'll come take a look now!
OH YEAH! I BETTER TAKE A PICTURE OF IT NOW.
EVEN THOUGH
IT'S COMMONLY A GIRL'S INTEREST OR HOBBY
TO THINK THAT IT'S THE FAVORITE JOB OF A 19-YEAR-OLD BOY AND HIS PROFESSION ON TOP OF THAT
IS A LITTLE WEIRD AFTER ALL, ISN'T IT?
RING RING!
HMM?
MAKOTO-SAN'S PRETTY FAST.
I'M COMING!
RING RING!
CA-CHACK
WELCOME

I'M HERE !!!
?
A JOKE ?
AYA-CHAN !?
GEEZ, WHERE WERE YOU LOOKING !?
IDIOT!
SO?
Makita-san
WHO MIGHT THIS BE?
SHE'S MY OLDER BROTHER'S ONLY DAUGHTER.
AYA-CHAN
NICE TO MEET YOU... YOU'RE CUTE! DO YOU LOOK LIKE YOUR DAD?

OF COURSE NOT. I'M HIS...
STEP-DAUGHTER.
I WAS BROUGHT BY MY MOM TO THE FAMILY, SO THERE'S NO WAY I'LL LOOK LIKE DAD.
Don't let ME say that
AYA-CHAN
BESIDES, WHAT'S WITH THIS ROOM?
EVEN THOUGH I'VE EXPECTED IT TO BE LIKE THIS IT'S STILL ANNOYING AND WHAT WAS THAT LOGO YOU HANG AT THE ENTRANCE!?
STANDS
OH... THAT... I GUESS IT'S EASY FOR EVERY-ONE TO THINK THAT IT'S A GIRL'S ROOM...
It's dangerous to stand on the chair
EVEN IF YOU'RE A RELATIVE,
YOU SHOULDN'T COME HERE JUST TO SAY MEAN THINGS LIKE THAT, RIGHT?
AND WHAT ARE THESE BAGS FOR?
WHAT AN IDIOT! ARE YOU REALLY A MAN!?
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE
CAN'T YOU SEE I'M RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME?

WHAT!?
IS THAT SURPRISING?
... SERIOUSLY,
I KNOW IT'S BAD TO SAY BUT..
SHE'S SO NOT CUTE.
WELL...
Hmmph I'll say that outside but...
I HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN A YEAR, SO...
ANYWAY, I'LL BE GLAD TO HANG THIS BED COVER AS THE STORE'S SHOW-PIECE.
THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING...
AH...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
YOUR WORK ALWAYS SELLS REAL FAST.
WE'LL BE REALLY TROUBLED IF YOU DON'T WORK HARD
pong!

WHY ARE YOU SO NERVOUS?
NO WAY!
backs off
IS SHE YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
... YES
SHE'S THE DAUGHTER OF THE STORE OWNER THAT I'M WORKING WITH,
I GET PART-TIME SALARY THERE BY LETTING THEM SELL MY WORK OR WATCHING THE STORE FOR THEM.
DID YOUR DAD DO SOMETHING TO MAKE YOU MAD?
AND?
WHY DID YOU RUN AWAY FROM HOME?
BESIDES,
SHE HAS A PERSON THAT SHE'S ALWAYS LIKED...
HUH?
I'M T-I-R-E-D
WHERE'S THE BED?

SO, IT'S ALREADY BEEN A... YEAR
I CAN KIND OF UNDER-STAND GRANDPA'S FEELINGS NOW.
EH?
BANG!
BECAUSE WHEN YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS YOU'RE MISUNDERSTOOD EVERYWHERE, IDIOT!
GET OUT
DON'T SHOW THAT FACE TO ME EVER AGAIN
IT'S IMPO SSI-BLE
DURING THE TIME I HAVEN'T SEEN HER
SUG-URU!
SUG-URU!
SHE'S GROWN QUITE A LOT
My bed is taken

AREN'T HER PARENTS WORRIED?
BUT ...
SINCE SHE'S IN SCHOOL NOW, THERE SHOULD BE SOME CONTACT MADE...
SIP
GONG!
AH!
SHE'S STILL HERE?
HUH ...
WHAT FACE...
CAN I SHOW IF I CALL BACK HOME NOW?
PHEW
JUST BREATHE DEEPLY
...
kya!
kya!
I'm too scared to look!
WAIT, YOU SHOULD CALM DOWN FIRST.
DON'T WORRY, IT DIDN'T HURT.
Chuckle
THANK GOD

IT'S BEEN HER ONE-SIDED LOVE
EVER SINCE HIGH SCHOOL AND IN UNIVERSITY ALSO
EVER SINCE THE LAST TIME HOW'S THE PROGRESS?
EVEN THOUGH I'VE NEVER MET THIS PERSON
BECAUSE HE DOESN'T LIKE SWEETS,
Somehow I have a bad feeling about this.
THIS WILL MAKE HIM HAPPIER
NO
HOW COULD YOU FORGET? ISN'T IT VALENTINE'S SOON?
IS THIS A NEW PRODUCT FOR THE STORE?
How embarrassing
Ah
THAT MEANS
I THOUGHT I'D GIVE HIM THIS, SO...
ALL RIGHT THEN, I'LL LEAVE THE STORE TO YOU
AND I'LL SEE YOU ON SUNDAY
SEE YOU LATER.
I'D BETTER GO TO SCHOOL.
Ah
slap!
slap!
slap!
BECAUSE NOTHING'S HAPPENING, THAT'S WHY I'M GIVING HIM THIS!
IT'S SO OBVIOUS

AH... BUT THINGS MIGHT GO TOWARDS A BETTER DIRECTION
Mine orders just came in good!
Wanna kick home together?
Makoto's Mom
I'm so impressed with your skills!
THERE'S NOTHING GOOD ABOUT IT...
COME TO THINK ABOUT IT I'VE ALWAYS BEEN THE CONSULTANT FOR CHOOSING PRESENTS FOR VALENTINE'S OR BIRTHDAYS...
HOW NAIVE.
LOOK, IF YOU CAN'T GET YOUR DAD TO MAKE CHOCOLATES, OR GO BACK,
VALENTINE'S DAY?
SO WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?
It's no time to talk away
Hah
I DON'T THINK IT'S THE SAME THING
JUST LIKE HOW THIS BOSS IS REFLECTING ALL THE MAGIC ATTACKS BACK
SOCIETY NOW IS MORE COMPLEX AND IRONIC
BESIDES, INSTEAD OF TELLING OTHER PEOPLE WHAT TO DO, WHY DON'T YOU GIVE OUT CHOCOLATES YOURSELF?
EH?
It's time!
Beep Boom Ring Splash! Ring!

BUT
IN THE STATES, GUYS CAN ALSO GIVE CHOCOLATES TODAY LIKE GIRLS DO, DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
OH
I didn't know
ta dah la la ...
YES, IT DIED !!!
Ho ho ho!
WAIT FOR ANOTHER MILLION YEARS BEFORE YOU CAN BEAT ME! REGRET YOUR ACTIONS ALL YOU WANT IN HELL!
EEEEK!
AH... WHY DON'T WE HAVE SOME TEA?
HEY,
THIS? TAPES-TRY
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN MAKING ALL THIS TIME?
NOT JUST THIS I ALSO MAKE THINGS LIKE BED COVERS, CUSSIONS, AND STUFFED ANIMALS
AND STUFF LIKE THAT
THAT'S YOUR JOB?
HMM,
LOOKS HARD...

Freetalk

Looking at my old works it reminds me of old times. Everyone was not too busy back then, and I've stayed over at a friend's house quite often, bugging them for assistance. "Something this small. Do you still need to paste (the tone*)?" "If it's too much work, leave it." "But you want me to do it right?" "Yep, please do." — like that. (Now we can finally read it~) How we laughed over the jokes we made when pasting tones for the sound effects! (now I took it down.) We also called for 7 hours. (My friends paid. Takaya is mean.) We also did ******* and ******* ******* like ******* (can't write it too "dangerous") "Flame up, flame up, flame up." Something like that too. I'll never forget that. I was so worried when I heard the chant endlessly (laugh.)) My work time always ended up turning into something private.

(note* tone = a special sticker-like paper used for manga making. i.e. background tiles, clothe patterns, etc.)

BEING A STUDENT OF AN ELITE PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL,
OF COURSE GRANDPA WOULD BE MAD AT YOU IF YOU END UP HAVING A JOB LIKE THIS.
YES
That's exactly right
YOU REALLY LIKE THIS,
YEAH
IT'S JUST THAT
CONFIDENCE DOESN'T COME AROUND WITH IT
DON'T YOU...?
OH YEAH,
HMM?
I'VE NOTICED IT FOR A WHILE BUT...
THAT RIBBON IS THE ONE I MADE FOR YOU, RIGHT?

BECAUSE YOU LEFT HOME...
BEFORE YOU HAD A CHANCE TO MAKE IT!
SO WHAT, ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT!?
If you got some thing to say then spit it out!!
Ouch!
NO NO, I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT HOW MANY THINGS I'VE MADE FOR YOU BEFORE...
WHA
SWING
ONE THING...
YOU HAVEN'T MADE ME A STUFFED ANIMAL YET.
I'LL MAKE ONE FOR YOU, WHAT ANIMAL DO YOU LIKE?
Hmmph
OF COURSE, SOMETHING AS CUTE AS ME
I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN..
SURE
NEVER MIND
I REALLY DON'T CARE...
I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN, THOUGH...
SORRY

STOP BEING A SLEEPY-HEAD! DON'T BE SO SENTIMENTAL OVER JUST 2-3 PEOPLE!
STOP USING TELEPORTING AND FIGHT BACK!!! HOW CAN YOU PLAY LIKE THAT, GEEZ!
SO WHY DID YOU ESCAPE !?
THAT'S A PROMISE !
BACK AT HOME,
BUT STILL
BECAUSE IT'LL BE SAD IF YOUR ALLIES DIED...
AS A LITTLE GIRL, YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE WHO UNDERSTOOD ME
I'M NOT GOING HOME !!!
AH...!
OH?
I'M EATING FOR FREE TAKING OVER YOUR BED, AND BEING REALLY ANNOYING ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
I KNOW THAT YOU WANT ME OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT
YOU DON'T HAVE TO GET ANGRY
ISN'T TODAY SUNDAY? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
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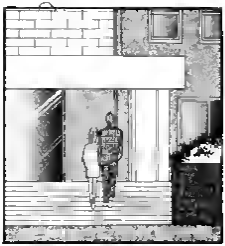
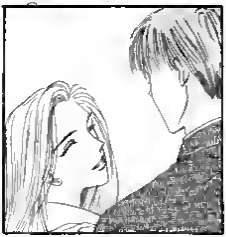
I'VE BEEN LIVING ALONE FOR ALL THIS TIME, RIGHT?
AND THAT'S WHY...
I'M HAPPY THAT AYA-CHAN IS WITH ME.
BUT IT'D BE MORE FUN IF YOU WERE STAYING HERE WITHOUT BEING A RUN-AWAY.
HEY LOOK, EVEN PALLET-SAN THE RABBIT IS SAYING THAT!
H
...HOW STUPID, BEING A NICE PERSON LIKE THAT
NOW I KNOW WHY THAT WOMAN WON'T LOOK AT YOU AS A MAN.

UH
AH
BEING HAPPY WITH MAKING SOMETHING LIKE THIS ...
IT'S NOT COOL AT ALL!!
AW
OH MY, NOW SHE'S GOT MY WEAK POINT,
AND IT HURTS
I'VE BEEN AVOIDING THIS ISSUE ALL ALONG.
SO, AM I A WEIRD GUY AFTER ALL?
IS THE ME RIGHT NOW
SO UNATTRACTIVE TO THAT PERSON?
RING
RING
HELLO
SEEMS LIKE IT'S GOING TO SNOW SOON...

MY FRIEND ...
WAS THE ONE...
THAT HE LIKED.
THANKS FOR THE WORK.
I'VE BEEN DUMPED.
...
WHAT'S WRONG?
SO I'VE GOT A TERRIBLE FACE AFTER ALL?
I ACCEPTED IT SO FREELY... HOW IDIOTIC.
BEING TOLD SUCH THINGS
HOW LAUGHABLE.



HE'S TALL, AND GOOD AT BASKET-BALL...



YOU KNOW ALREADY, RIGHT? I'VE BEEN ANNOY-ING YOU WITH DETAILS OF HIM ALL THE TIME..

HE WAS SOO COOL ...

I WAS EXCITED BY ONLY BEING AT HIS SIDE

I AM, TOO.

STRANGE,

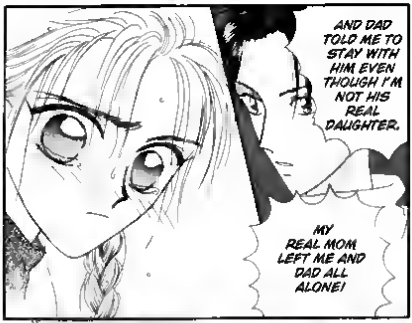
HOW HAVE I COME TO LIKE HIM SO MUCH?

THAT'S HOW I FEEL, TOO.

I STILL ...
LIKE HIM SO MUCH,
MISERABLY
YOU WERE LAUGHING, EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE EXTREMELY TROUBLED.
I GUESS WE'RE ALIKE IN THAT ASPECT.
I LIKE YOU SO MUCH ...
YET I'VE BECOME SO SAD, NOW

AND ALWAYS
I'M BACK.
AHH, I'M ALL WET!
WELCOME BACK!
WELL... I THOUGHT MAYBE I SHOULD START PLAYING BASKET-BALL.
W...
WHAT'S WITH THAT?
It's something I can't see.
WHY!?
I WANT TO CHANGE MYSELF.
YOU TOLD ME THAT I'M UNCOOL.
I'VE ALWAYS KNOWN THAT...
I HAVE TO CHANGE,
OR I WON'T BE ABLE TO DO ANY-THING

MOM LEFT HOME AND LEFT ME.
IT'S NOT BECAUSE SHE WANTED ME TO STAY IN A BETTER ENVIRONMENT AT DAD'S SINCE HE'S RICH, IT'S BECAUSE HER GUY DIDN'T WANT A STEP CHILD!
What happened while I was away?
EHH?


AND DAD TOLD ME TO STAY WITH HIM EVEN THOUGH I'M NOT HIS REAL DAUGHTER.
MY REAL MOM LEFT ME AND DAD ALL ALONE!

AND THEY DIVORCED WITHOUT TELLING ME!
I DON'T KNOW ANY-MORE!
EH?
UM, I'M NOT ...
Divorcing anymore!
I'M TALKING ABOUT MY MOM AND DAD, STUPID!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING? YOU'LL CATCH A COLD!!
And you didn't wear your shoes!
SHUT UP!
NOT TO WORRY.
IT'D BE USELESS TO TELL ME
AYA-CHAN!

KYAAAAH!
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
AYA-CHAN!?
YOU CAN'T RUN,
THE SNOWY GROUND IS SLIPPE-
LEAVE ME ALONE!
SLIP
SUGURU!
SUGURU! -KUN, YOU'RE BLEED-ING...
AYA-CHAN

EVEN THOUGH I'M HAPPY YOU LEFT AYA WITH ME, YOU SHOULD COME BACK AND VISIT HER SOMETIMES.
SURE ..
IT'S HOT ...
MOM..
TAKE CARE ...
YOU CAN STAY HERE.
GRANDPA ...
THEN WHY DID YOU CHASE SUGURU OUT!?
I
WHAT WAS WRONG WITH HIM?! HOW!?
WANTED TO SEE
WANTED TO SEE
SUGURU ...
HIS SMILE

DON'T WORRY
SU
I'M HERE
DON'T WORRY
B
BUT
I'M CONTACTING HER HOME

DRAG
HOLD IT.
AHH!
GONG
GONG
He fell after being dragged
B...
BUT
DON'T YOU PANIC BECAUSE OF SMALL THINGS LIKE THIS. THE FEVER WILL GO DOWN FAST ENOUGH
BESIDES, I DID TELL MY FAMILY THAT I WAS COMING HERE.
I WASN'T ACTUALLY RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME
'CAUSE EVERY-ONE'S ACTING LIKE IDIOTS,
EVEN THOUGH EVERY-ONE'S WORRIED ABOUT SUGURU, THEY'RE BEING SO STUBBORN, ESPECIALLY GRANDPA
WHICH IS WHY I HAD TO MAKE AN EXCUSE FOR THEM LIKE A KID
LIKE A KID HUH?
I'M NOT UNSATISFIED WITH DAD, EITHER

EVEN IF YOU STAY THE SAME,
I THINK IT'S OK, Y
...CANNOT FORGIVE A GUY WHO MAKES A LIVING BY SEWING STUFFED ANIMALS WHILE BEING ALL HAPPY ABOUT IT. I HATE THAT.
YOU KNOW, I...
I DIDN'T HATE IT WHEN YOU MADE RIBBONS FOR ME OR READ THESE HAPPY STORIES TO ME
BUT IT'S NOT SUITABLE FOR YOU TO PLAY BASKET-BALL OR TO HANG OUT WITH A LOT OF GIRLS, EITHER.
I THINK THAT'S BETTER FOR YOU.

A BIT MORE
THAT'S WHY,
I HOPE YOU'D NOTICE THAT,
I THOUGHT I COULD HAVE MADE IT
AND WHO HELPED ME CHANGE INTO PAJAMAS?
NOT ME MAKOTO-SAN DID!
WHY ARE YOU BLUSHING, STUPID.
SEE,
PALLET-SAN IS AGREEING TOO.
TO THE LITTLE YOU,

HERE YOU GO!
AND,
AYA-CHAN DECIDED TO GO HOME—
AFTER HER FEVER WENT DOWN
IT'S A SECRET THOUGH...
WHAT'S THAT?
AS PROMISED, A ONE DAY EARLY VALENTINE PRESENT! ♡
A PIG?
ARE YOU TRYING TO FIGHT WITH ME!?
GRR!
YOU DON'T LIKE IT?
HMMPH!
HUG
OH YEAH,
I'LL GIVE YOU THAT VIDEO GAME WE PLAYED BEFORE TOO
NIKE
AIR

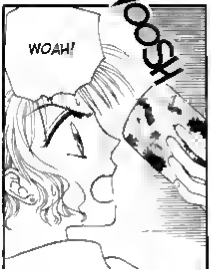
TAKE CARE!
BEING A THIRTY YEAR OLD...
TWENTY!
HOW DO I TAKE IT OFF BY THE WA...
OH REALLY, I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE THAT YOUNG.
You're so late
WHAT?
TICKIN TICKIN
I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO TELL YA
WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
Finally got it!
NOTHING I'M GOING NOW
Thanks!
YET, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO PICK A GUY.
Once again
HMMPH.

ANY-WAY, WORK, WORK!
LET'S MAKE SOME-THING BETTER!
EH?
OH, OKAY!
?
WHY SHOULD I COME AGAIN?
AH, COME AGAIN!
I'LL CALL IT, "SU-CHAN".

BY STAYING THE SAME ...
LET ME TRY TO TALK TO THESE PEOPLE AGAIN.
WHEN IT BECOMES SPRING, LET ME GO HOME AGAIN.
Ta da!
TAKING THE FIRST LETTER FROM "SUGURU," NOW YOU'RE SU-CHAN!

BY STAYING MY TRUE SELF
I WILL GO AND SEE YOU AGAIN,

I BET THOSE TWO ARE HAPPILY WALKING TOGETHER RIGHT NOW
AHH,


WOAH!
SWOOSH

HMM?
MAKOTO -SAN,

Let's see now the store's closed and
M-MM
M-MM
OH WELL! I CAN'T BE PESSIMIS-TIC!

VALENTINE'S PRESENT
AH...
THANKS
SEEMS LIKE IT DOESN'T MATTER IF A GUY GIVES A GIRL PRESENT TODAY,
THAT CHILD TOLD ME.
CAN I OPEN IT?
WHY AM I GETTING ALL RED ?
Ah, uh...
SURE.
It's kinda embarrassing though
WOAH
OPEN

AMAZING!
SUGURU-KUN IS A GENIUS!! HOW CAN YOU MAKE SOMETHING THIS GOOD!?
BECAUSE I LIKE TO MAKE THINGS.
THERE MUST BE THINGS THAT ONLY I'M GOOD AT.
COMPARED TO SPORTS, SEWING MIGHT SEEM LIKE SUCH AN UNCOOL THING
EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T DO ANYTHING GOOD OTHER THAN THAT,
I LIKE YOU VERY MUCH

TRAPPED IN THIS FEELING
I UNDER-STAND,
B...
BUT...
YOU CAN STAY THE SAME
IT IS JUST ME WHO'S...
BLUSH
WELL, SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW.
OPENS
WHAT, WHAT, WHAT WAS THAT?
WHAT DID HE SAY!? WAS THAT REALLY SUGURU-KUN!?
SFX. Big panic

BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
AT TIMES LIKE THIS !!!
AHH, SHUT UP.
CALM DOWN ...!
FIRST OF ALL,
BREATHE DEEPLY!
BA-DUMP
HEY...
BA-DUMP
SEE,
IT'S ALL RIGHT
!
BECAUSE...
YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW TO PICK A GUY.
THAT'S BECAUSE...
BECAUSE I BELIEVED SO .
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN BY MY SIDE
AND I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT IT'D NEVER CHANGE

I HOPE YOU'D NOTICE ...
SUGURU-KUN!
YES?
WHAT FACE SHOULD I SHOW HER TOMORROW...?
SIGH
HUFF
HUFF HUFF
I THOUGHT MY HEART WAS GOING TO JUMP OUT OF MY MOUTH
WAIT...!
M..
MAKOTO-SAN...
WAI
I...
I...!

DING-DONG
COMING!
OPEN
WHO MIGHT IT BE?
A LITTLE MORE ...
ARGH!
WHAT'S WITH THAT "ARGH", HUH?
WHAT'S WRONG, MAKOTO-SAN ..?
Ah...
AYA-CHAN!
DING-DONG

AHH, AYA-CHAN, AYA-CHAN
BUT OH ADY, I DIDN'T THINK THIS WOMAN WOULD BE THE ONE TO GET THE DOOR.
I'D BETTER SAY CON-GRATS, I GUESS
WELCOME, BACK FROM SCHOOL ALREADY?
SIGH
YEP, AHH! IT'S SUCH A PAIN BEING A STUDENT.
I'D BE REALLY TROUBLED.
WELL, IF IT DIDN'T TURN THAT WAY,
BEFORE I CAN BECOME A PERFECT ADULT, I BETTER LET YOU GUARD HIM FROM OTHER USELESS INSECTS.
Since I'm such a nice person, I won't mind too much if he has a girlfriend for now, yes.
Here You
WHY?
LET'S SEE, I HOPE YOU'D KEEP IT FOR AT LEAST 3 YEARS.
BECAUSE, IF SUGURU AND I WERE A COUPLE NOW, PEOPLE WOULD THINK HE'S A PERV OR SOMETHING.

SFX pull
AND I'D BE IN JUNIOR HIGH BY THAT TIME TOO
YE... EES?
GET MY POINT?
SMile
Let's go
ERR...
SUGURU!
HOLD ON...!
I JUST CAME HERE TO SAY THAT
I'LL GO TO DINNER WITH DAD NOW, SEE YA!
CA-CHACK
GOOD FOR YOU, HAVING TWO FLOWERS BY YOUR SIDE
Err
I... IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!
SHE'S JUST JOKING, AND BESIDES, SHE'S STILL IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...
BUT SHE WAS SO SERIOUS!

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